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## RESPONSE TO AUGUST 15, 2007 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2007.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of this amendment and remarks herein.